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**From:** Pierce, Alison [Pierce.Alison@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 11/16/2020 5:31:35 PM  
**To:** Henry, Tala [Henry.Tala@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Lalley, Thomas [Lalley.Thomas@epa.gov]; Blair, Susanna [Blair.Susanna@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** UPDATE from ICB: Concurrence on PFAS Inquiry [Response Due Today]

Tala – Per discussion this morning, Tom L reached out to ICB on that PFAS press inquiry that's due today. NCD/ICB's concurrence and response to your questions, below. Please let us know if the original response is now okay to go to OCSPP IO/OPA/etc.

Thanks!  
Alison

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**From:** Le, Madison <Le.Madison@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 16, 2020 11:55 AM  
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**Subject:** RE: Press inquiry: PFAS

Tom,

Please see response from ICB below that provides concurrence of the draft response and additional explanation to respond to Tala's request. Tracy Williamson can provide any follow you may need. I'll be tied up in meetings between 12-2pm.

## Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Tom,

What's the deadline for this response?

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**Subject:** Press inquiry: PFAS

Hi Tracy – I am a new public affairs officer in OCSP/OPPT. Please see below an inquiry from a reporter and the proposed response. Tala Henry asked to run this by you to make sure that you agree with the response. Also, Tala asked for an explanation of how ICB made the determination that these chemicals are PFAS since OPPT does not consider everything on the ORD Dashboard as PFAS.

**INCOMING:** Greetings. I am hoping you can tell me which of the chemicals in the Chemical Data Reporting data for 3M's Cottage Grove plant in Minnesota (attachment) are considered chemicals in the PFAS family. Can you tell me?

**RESPONSE:** **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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